

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A image reading system comprising:

an image display member on which an image is displayed;

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an image reading apparatus, wherein:

the image display member includes a data supply device  
for storing a predetermined data and supplying the stored  
predetermined data to an external;

10 the image reading apparatus includes:

an image reading unit for reading the displayed image;

a data reading unit for reading the supplied predetermined  
data from the image display member;

15 an output unit for outputting at least one of the read  
image and the read predetermined data; and

a control unit for controlling at least one of the image  
reading unit and the output unit in response to whether or not  
the supplied predetermined data has been read.

20 2. An image reading apparatus comprising:

an image reading unit for reading an image displayed on  
an image display member;

a data reading unit for reading a predetermined data stored  
in the image display member;

25 an output unit for outputting at least one of the read

image and the read predetermined data; and

a control unit controls at least one of the image reading unit and the output unit in response to whether or not the supplied predetermined data has been read.

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3. The image reading apparatus according to claim 2, wherein:

when the predetermined data has been read, the control unit controls the output unit to output at least one of the read  
10 image and the read predetermined data in response to the read predetermined data; and

when the predetermined data has not been read, the control unit controls the output unit to output the read image.

15 4. The image reading apparatus according to claim 3, wherein:

the control unit judges an attribute of the read predetermined data on the basis of attribute data contained in the read predetermined data; and

20 the control unit controls at least one of the image reading unit and the output unit in response to whether or not the judged attribute is an attribute indicating data, which is printable as an image.

25 5. The image reading apparatus according to claim 4,

further comprising:

an operation unit for promoting a user to select at least one of the read image and the read predetermined data as output data to be output, when the judged attribute is the attribute  
5 indicating the printable data as an image, wherein:

when the judged attribute is the attribute, which is printable as an image, the control unit controls the image reading unit to stop reading the displayed image.

10 6. The image reading apparatus according to claim 5, wherein:

the operation unit receives an operation for selecting the output data; and

when the output data is selected, the control unit controls  
15 the image reading unit to restart reading the displayed image and controls the output unit to output the selected output data.

7. The image reading apparatus according to claim 6, wherein:

20 the operation unit further receives another operation for designating an output format at a time of outputting the output data; and

the control unit controls the output unit to output the selected output data in the designated output format.

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8. The image reading apparatus according to claim 7,  
wherein:

when the read image and the read predetermined data are  
selected as the output data, the control unit controls the output  
5 unit to print the read image and the read data on different image  
formation media in accordance with the designated output format,  
respectively.

9. The image reading apparatus according to claim 7,  
10 wherein:

when the read image and the read predetermined data are  
selected as the output data, the control unit controls the output  
unit to print the read image and the read predetermined data  
on both surfaces of an image formation medium in accordance with  
15 the designated output format, respectively.

10. The image reading apparatus according to claim 7,  
further comprising:

a synthesizing unit for synthesizing the read image with  
20 the read predetermined data in accordance with the designated  
output format, wherein:

when the read image and the read predetermined data are  
selected as the output data, the control unit controls the output  
unit to output the synthesized data in accordance with the  
25 designated output format.

11. The image reading apparatus according to claim 10,  
wherein:

the synthesizing unit synthesizes the read image with the  
5 readpredetermined data in accordance with the designated output  
format so that the read image and an image indicated by the read  
predetermined image are displayed in a superimposed manner.

12. The image reading apparatus according to claim 10,  
10 wherein:

the synthesizing unit synthesizes the read image with the  
readpredetermined data in accordance with the designated output  
format so that the read image and an image indicated by the read  
predetermined image are displayed side by side.

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13. An image reading method comprising:

reading a predetermined data stored in an image display  
member;

controlling at least one of a process for reading an image  
20 displayed on the image display member and a process for outputting  
the read image in response to whether or not the supplied  
predetermined data has been read;

performing the process for reading the image displayed  
on the image display member in accordance with the control; and  
25 outputting at least one of the read image and the read

predetermined data in accordance with the control.

14. A program making a computer conduct a process comprising:

5 reading a predetermined data stored in an image display member;

controlling at least one of a process for reading an image displayed on the image display member and a process for outputting the read image in response to whether or not the supplied  
10 predetermined data has been read;

performing the process for reading the image displayed on the image display member in accordance with the control; and

outputting at least one of the read image and the read predetermined data in accordance with the control.

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